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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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Serial No.: 08/726,211

Filed: October 4, 1996

For: INHIBITION OF BCL-2 PROTEIN
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Atty. Dkt. No.: UTXC:504/STA

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants petition for an extension of time of one month up to and including March 21, 2000 in which to file an Appeal Brief.

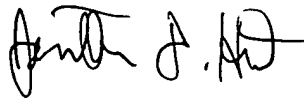
Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, a check in the amount of \$55.00 is enclosed, which is the process fee (\$55.00) for a one-month extension of time.

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Respectfully submitted,



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